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Title: RAPID PHARMACEUTICAL COMPONENT SCREENING  
DEVICES AND METHODS10 Date: August 30, 2001**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

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Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following:

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[0023] FIG. 5A is a schematic representation of a drop on demand generating apparatus as can be employed in the process and test device of the present invention, illustrating a removable cartridge and printhead each of which contains an optional memory storage device; and

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Please replace paragraph [0024] with the following:

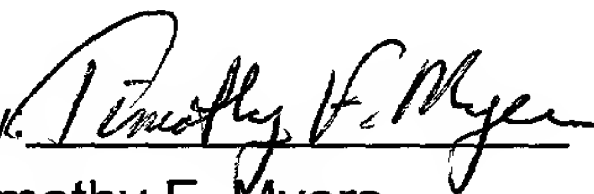
[0024] FIG. 5B depicts a greatly enlarged view of an electrical memory storage device; and

**REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to correctly state the proper reference to drawings briefly described in the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.

- 5 No new matter has been added. Appendix A contains a marked up version of the changes. Claims 1-26 remain in the application. Examination and consideration of the application, as amended, is hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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Appendix A  
Marked Up Version of Changes

In the Specification:

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Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following:

[0023] FIG. [4]5A is a schematic representation of a drop on demand  
generating apparatus as can be employed in the process and test device of the  
10 present invention, illustrating a removable cartridge and printhead each of which  
contains an optional memory storage device; and

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Please replace paragraph [0024] with the following:

[0024] FIG. [4]5B depicts a greatly enlarged view of an electrical memory  
storage device; and